

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST FOR ESB 187

Citations Affected: IC 4-4-3-22; IC 4-4-4.6-3.

Synopsis: Economic development. Provides an exemption from personal property tax for commercial passenger airplanes located in St. Joseph County or Allen County for maintenance. Increases the acreage of property that may be exempt from 50 to 200 acres if it is owned by a 4-H association. Provides that, in St. Joseph County, a designating body may, before September 1, 2000, approve a property tax abatement deduction for the redevelopment or rehabilitation of real property consisting of residential facilities that are located in unincorporated areas of the county if the designating body makes a finding that the facilities are needed to serve disabled persons or elderly persons who are predominately low-income or moderate-income, or both. Provides that the designating body may adopt an ordinance approving such a deduction only one time. Provides local designating bodies the option of allowing new manufacturing equipment to be moved without losing the assessed value deduction. Specifies that the provision limiting a property tax abatement for new manufacturing equipment to the extent that it would cause the assessed value of all personal property of the owner in the taxing district in which the equipment is located to be less than the assessed value of all personal property of the owner in that taxing district in the immediately preceding year does not apply to new manufacturing equipment located in a particular township if the total original cost of all new manufacturing equipment placed into service by the owner during the preceding 60 months exceeds \$50,000,000, and if the economic revitalization area in which the new manufacturing equipment was installed was approved by the designating body before September 1, 1994. Grandfathers in the abatement of property taxes in a consolidated city if the property owner and city complete all required procedures before July 1, 2000 (retroactive to 1997). Requires a commitment by a business receiving T-2000 training assistance to continue operations at any site where the training assistance is used for at least five years after the date the training assistance expires. Provides that if a business fails to comply with this commitment, the department shall require the business to repay the training assistance provided to it under this chapter. Requires the department of commerce to establish a public information page on its current Internet site on the world wide web to provide information on incentives awarded. This conference committee report would: (1) delete the provisions concerning development assistance agreements and development assistance reporting; (2) provide a personal property tax exemption for commercial passenger airplanes located in Allen County for maintenance; (3) add provisions limiting the residential property tax abatement to a one-time use in St. Joseph County and requiring that the facilities must be necessary to serve elderly persons who are low-income or moderate income or disabled persons; (4) add provisions concerning T-2000 training assistance; and (5) add provisions requiring the department of commerce to establish a public information page on its current Internet site on the world wide web.

Effective: July 1, 2000.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. PRESIDENT:

Your Conference Committee appointed to confer with a like committee from the House upon Engrossed House Amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 187 respectfully reports that said two committees have conferred and agreed as follows to wit:

that the Senate recede from its dissent from all House amendments and that the Senate now concur in all House amendments to the bill and that the bill be further amended as follows:

- 1 Page 1, delete lines 1 through 17, begin a new paragraph and
- 2 insert:
- 3 "SECTION 1. IC 4-4-3-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 4 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 5 1, 2000]: **Sec. 22. The department shall establish a public**
- 6 **information page on its current Internet site on the world wide**
- 7 **web. The page must do the following:**
- 8 (1) **Provide, by program, cumulative information on the total**
- 9 **amount of incentives awarded, the total number of**
- 10 **companies that received the incentives and were assisted in**
- 11 **a year, and the names and addresses of those companies.**
- 12 (2) **Provide a mechanism on the page whereby the public**
- 13 **may request further information on-line about specific**
- 14 **programs or incentives awarded.**
- 15 (3) **Provide a mechanism for the public receive an electronic**
- 16 **response.**
- 17 SECTION 2. IC 4-4-4.6-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 18 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: Sec. 3. The department shall
- 19 do the following:
- 20 (1) Establish policies to carry out a training assistance program,
- 21 the purpose of which is to provide assistance to the following:
- 22 (A) New or expanding businesses for the training,
- 23 retraining, and upgrading of the skills of potential
- 24 employees.
- 25 (B) Businesses in Indiana for the retraining and upgrading

of employees' skills required to support new capital investment.

(C) Businesses in Indiana for the development of basic workforce skills of employees, including the following:

- (i) Literacy.
- (ii) Communication skills.
- (iii) Computational skills.
- (iv) Other transferable workforce skills approved by the department.

(2) Provide promotional materials regarding the training program.

(3) Determine the eligibility of an industry for the training program.

(4) Require a commitment by a business receiving training assistance under this chapter to continue operations at any site where the training assistance is used for at least five (5) years after the date the training assistance expires. If a business fails to comply with this commitment, the department shall require the business to repay the training assistance provided to it under this chapter."

Delete pages 2 through 11.

Page 12, delete line 1.

Page 12, line 14, delete "three" and insert "**four**".

Page 12, line 14, delete "(300,000)" and insert "**(400,000)**".

Page 19, line 14, reset in roman "or".

Page 19, line 15, delete "; or" and insert ".".

Page 19, delete lines 16 through 19.

Page 19, between lines 26 and 27, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(f) This subsection applies only to a county having a population of more than two hundred thousand (200,000) but less than three hundred thousand (300,000). Notwithstanding subsection (e)(11), in a county subject to this subsection a designating body may, before September 1, 2000, approve a deduction under this chapter for the redevelopment or rehabilitation of real property consisting of residential facilities that are located in unincorporated areas of the county if the designating body makes a finding that the facilities are needed to serve any combination of the following:

(1) Elderly persons who are predominately low-income or moderate-income persons.

(2) Disabled persons.

A designating body may adopt an ordinance approving a deduction under this subsection only one (1) time. This subsection expires January 1, 2011."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to ESB 187 as reprinted February 24, 2000.)

Conference Committee Report
on
Engrossed Senate Bill 187

Signed by:

Senator Meeks C
Chairperson

Representative Bauer

Senator Blade

Representative Espich

Senate Conferees

House Conferees